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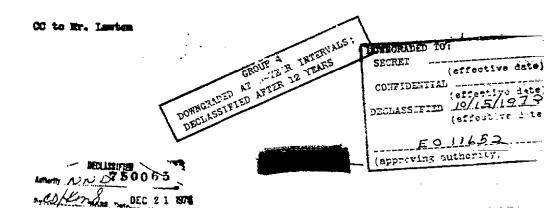
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Mr. Ransey

Conference on OSS with Don Stone and OSS representatives, Aug. 29

In accordance with your instructions, I attended the meeting this afternoon with Mr. Stone, Mr. Louis Ream, and Lt. Col. Resembaum of the OSS.

- Stone indicated that it would not be possible to develop a specific decision as to the disposition of certain OSS activities without considerable additional negotiations and that this would mean that the OSS budget problem of repeal of appropriations would have to be handled without the decision having been made.
- 2. Stone indicated that the Director had suggested that if possible the schedule for the OSS hearing before the Appropriations Conmittee he deferred as long as possible. Stone said that Laston was present when this suggestion was made and that Laston would undeubtedly do what he could in this regard.
- 3. We discussed the relationship of the secret intelligence and occurrent intelligence activities to those of Research and Analysis. The OSS representatives strongly contended that it would be undesirable to separate these—that is, for enable, to put Bessarch and Analysis in State, and secret and counter-intelligence in the Mar Department. Although Stome did not feel that their argument was persuasive in this regard, he asked me to tell Schwarzenider and Cooper to have another look at the relationship between these activities.
- 4. Stone stated that he felt that the secret and sounter-intelligence activities of OSS should probably be continued at a fairly high level for probably easther year. He said that he would support such a program.



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